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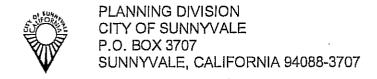
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ENVIRONMENTAL DECLARATION

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NAME	E OF LE	AD AGENCY: CITY OF SUNNYVALE	RA RIVAS BRENDA DAVIS, County Santa Clara County Deputy
NAME	E OF AF	PPLICANT: Lee Ashby	E-13579
CITY	OF SUI	NNYVALE PROJECT # 2006-0027	
CLAS	SIFICA	TION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT	CA Dept. of Fish and Game Receipt #
1.	(X)	NOTICE OF PREPARATION	2 6502H
2.	. ()	NOTICE OF EXEMPTION	0-00-001
3.	NOTIC	E OF DETERMINATION	
	NEGA:	TIVE DECLARATION PURSUANT TO PUE	BLIC RESOURCES CODE § 21080 (c)
	()	\$1300.00 REQUIRED (\$1275.00 STAT	E FILING FEE AND \$25.00 COUNTY CLERK FEE
	()	\$50.00 CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION A STATEMENT ATTACHED	ND/OR DE MINIMUS IMPACT FINDING
4.		E OF DETERMINATION ONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT PURSUAN	IT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE § 21152
	()	\$900.00 REQUIRED (\$850.00 STATE F	ILING FEE AND \$25.00 COUNTY CLERK FEE)
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DOCUMENTS LISTED ABOVE (INCLUDING COPIES) SUBMITTED FOR FILING. CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO: COUNTY CLERK-RECORDER.



File Number: 2006-0027 No. 06-14

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT NEGATIVE DECLARATION

This form is provided as a notification of an intent to adopt a Negative Declaration which has been prepared in compliance with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended, and Resolution #193-86.

PROJECT TITLE:

Application for a Use Permit by Lee Ashby.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION (APN):

2006-0027 - Lee Ashby [Applicant] John Arrillaga Trustee & Et Al [Owner]: Application for a Use Permit on two adjacent properties totaling 5.7 acres site to allow the construction of two new office buildings resulting in 44% Floor Area Ratio (FAR) where 35% FAR is allowed by right. The property is located at 975 and 995 Benecia Avenue (near Macara Ave) in an M-S (Industrial & Service) Zoning District. (APN: 165-39-006)

WHERE TO VIEW THIS DOCUMENT:

The Negative Declaration, its supporting documentation and details relating to the project are on file and available for review and comment in the Office of the Secretary of the Planning Commission, City Hall, 456 West Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale.

This **Negative Declaration** may be protested in writing by any person prior to 5:00 p.m. on **Monday**, **September 25**, **2006**. Protest shall be filed in the Department of Community Development, 456 W. Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale and shall include a written statement specifying anticipated environmental effects which may be significant. A protest of a **Negative Declaration** will be considered by the adopting authority, whose action on the protest may be appealed.

HEARING INFORMATION:

A public hearing on the project is scheduled for:

Monday, September 25, 2006 and Tuesday, October 17, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 456 West Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale.

TOXIC SITE INFORMATION:

(No) listed toxic sites are present at the project location.

Circulated On September 6, 2006

Signed:_

Gerri Caruso, Principal Planner

PLANNING DIVISION CITY OF SUNNYVALE P.O. BOX 3707 SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA 94088-3707 File Number: 2006-0027 No. 06-14

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FINDINGS:

The Director of Community Development of the City of Sunnyvale, California, hereby determines that an environmental impact report is not required. There are sufficient environmental controls incorporated into the zoning regulations to ensure no significant detrimental effect.

The above determination is based upon the initial study conducted in this matter, information provided by the applicant in an "Application for Environmental Finding" that the use is in keeping with not in conflict with the adopted General Plan, The Zoning Ordinance and the Subdivision Ordinance and That the use is specifically permitted by a Use Permit. Sufficient environmental controls are incorporated in the Zoning and Subdivision regulations to ensure no significant detrimental effect by any proposed use, in the case of a PD overlay or any application for a Use Permit and arc. con. by city. No endangered species are known to depend on this site for habitat.

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Circulated On <u>September 6, 2006</u>	Signed: Recurso, Principal Planner
Adopted On	Verified: Principal Planner



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California Department of Fish and Game CERTIFICATE OF FEE EXEMPTION

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PROJECT TITLE/LOCATION (INCLUDE COUNTY):

The Use Permit is located on 975 and 995 Benecia Avenue, City of Sunnyvale, County of Santa Clara) in an M-S (Industrial & Service) Zoning District. (APN: 165-39-006)

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FINDINGS OF EXEMPTION:

- 1. This project is in an urban setting.
- 2. There is no alteration of land or effect on fish or wildlife.

CERTIFICATION:

I hereby certify that the public agency has made the above finding and that the project will not individually or cumulatively have an adverse effect on wildlife resources, as defined in Section 711.2 of the Fish and Game Code.

Gerri-Caruso

Title: Principal Planner, Community Development

Lead Agency: City of Sunnyvale

Date: September 6, 2006

DFG: 3/94 Planner INITIAL STUDY
City of Sunnyvale
Penertment of Community Development
Planning Division
P.O. Box 3707
Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3707

Project #: 2006-0027

Project Address: 995 and 975 Benecia, Sunnyvale

Applicant: Hoover and Associates

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Project Title	Application for a Use Permit for buildings over 35%
	FAR.
Lead Agency Name and Address	City of Sunnyvale
	PO Box 3707 Sunnyvale, CA 94088-3707
Contact Person-	Steve Lynch, Senior Planner
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Phone Number	(408) 730-2723
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Project Location	995 and 975 Benecia Ave and Sunnyvale, CA
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Project Sponsor's Name	Hoover and Associates
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Address	1900 Embarcadero Road
Address	
(Agent of	Palo Alto, CA 94303
Zoning	M-S
General Plan	Industrial and Service
Other Public Agencies whose approval is	None
required	
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Description of the Project

2006-0027 – The applicant proposes a Use Permit to allow two new office buildings for a total square footage of 113,200 (23% lot coverage and 45% FAR). The site currently consists of two industrial and manufacturing buildings totaling 54,280 square feet. The two existing buildings would be demolished and additional landscaping would be planted throughout the site.

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Applicant: Hoover and Associates

EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

1. A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g. the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g. the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis).

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3. All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as onsite, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.

4. Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than "significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.

5. "Negative Declaration: Potentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from Section 17, "Earlier Analysis," may be cross-referenced).

6. Earlier analysis may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063 (c) (3) (d). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:

7. Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.

8. Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.

9. Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project

10. Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information accourages for potential impacts (e.g. general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.

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ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors che at least one impact that is a "P following pages.	cked l	pelow would be potentially a	ffected		
Aesthetics		Hazards & Hazardous		Public Services	
☐ Agricultural Resources		Materials Hydrology/Water		Recreation	
☐ Air Quality		Quality Land Use/Planning _.		Transportation/Tra	affic
☐ Biological Resources		Mineral Resources		Utilities/Service	
Cultural Resources		Noise .		Systems Mandatory Finding	gs of
☐ Geology/Soils		Population/Housing		Significance	
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I find that although the proposed proje potentially significant effects (a) have pursuant to applicable standards and NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including proposed project, nothing further is re-	been ar (b) have revisio	nalyzed in an earlier EIR or NEGA e been avolded or mitigated pursu	TIVE DE ant to th	ECLARATION at earlier EIR or	
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Signature				Date /	
Steve Lynch, Senior Planner				For the City of Sunnyva (Lead Agency)	lle

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		Potentially Significant Impact	Less than Sig. With Mitigation	Less Than Significant	No Impact	Source
1.	AESTHETICS. Would the project: a. Have a substantial adverse effect on a		<u> </u>		M	0.04
•	scenic vista?	<u> </u>				2, 94
	b. Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to trees, rock outcroppings, and historic bulldings within a state scenic highway?				\boxtimes	2, 94
	c. Substantially degrade the existing visual. character or quality of the site and its surroundings?					2, 94, 101
	 d. Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area? 				\boxtimes	2, 94
2.	AIR QUALITY: Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following determinations. Would the project:					
	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?				\boxtimes	3, 94, 100, 111
	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation.				\boxtimes	3, 94, 100, 111
	c. Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?					3, 96, 97, 100, 111
	d. Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?				\boxtimes	62, 63, 111, 112
	e. Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				\boxtimes	111, 112
3.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES:					
	a. Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the Callfornia Department of Fish and Game or U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service?					2, 94, 111, 112, 109

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b. Have a substantially adverse Impact on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S Wildlife Service?		·		\boxtimes	2, 94, 111, 112, 109
c. Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?				\boxtimes	2, 94, 111, 112, 109
 d. Interfere substantially with the movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites? 				\boxtimes	2, 94, 111, 112, 109
e. Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?				\boxtimes	2, 94, 111, 112, 109
f. Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Conservation Community Plan, other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?				\boxtimes	41,94, 111, 112
4. CULTURAL RESOURCES. Would the project:			,		<u></u>
a. Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in Section 15064.5?		· 🔲		X .	10, 42, 60, 61, 94, 111
 b. Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resources pursuant to Section 15064.5 					10, 42, 94
c. Directly or Indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?				\boxtimes	10, 42, 94, 111
d. Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?		·		\boxtimes	2, 111, 112
LAND USE AND PLANNING. Would the project:					
a. Physically divide an established community?				\boxtimes	2, 11, 12, 21, 28

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	Conflict with an applicable land use plan, policy or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?	1				31, 28, 111
	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural communities conservation plan?				\boxtimes	2, 41, 94, 111
6. MIN	RAL RESOURCES. Would the project:		,	**	_	
1	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				\boxtimes	2, 94
	Result in the loss of availability of a locally- important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				\boxtimes	2, 94
7. NOIS	SE. Would the project result in:		·			
ا ا ا	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				\boxtimes	2, 16, 26, 94, 111, 112, 115
1	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?				\boxtimes .	2, 16, 26, 94, 111, 112, 115
	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				\boxtimes	2, 16, 26, 94, 111, 112, 115
	A substantially temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?				\boxtimes	2, 16, 26, 94, 111, 112, 115
8. POP proje	ULATION AND HOUSING. Would the ect:					
	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?					2, 94
	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of				\boxtimes	2, 11, 111, 112

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replacement housing elsewhere?		-		<u> </u>	
Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				\boxtimes	2, 11, 111, 112
9. PUBLIC SERVICES. Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered government facilities, need for new or physically altered government facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:					
a. Schools?					2, 111, 112
b. Police protection?				\boxtimes	26, 65, 66, 103, 104
c. Fire protection?				\boxtimes	26, 65, 66, 103, 104
d. Parks?				\boxtimes	2, 111, 112
e. Other services?					111
10. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE					
a. Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?	·				2, 10, 26, 42, 59, 60, 61, 111, 112
b. Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of the past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?				\boxtimes	1, 2, 111, 112

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C.	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?				\boxtimes	111, 112
11. GE	OLOGY AND SOILS. Would the project:		-	-		
a.	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury or death involving:		и			
	i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.				\ .	UBC, UPC, UMC, NEC
	ii) Strong selsmic ground shaking?	· 🔲			\boxtimes	u
1.44	iii) Seismic-related ground fallure, including liquefaction?				\boxtimes	u
	iv) Landslides?				.	a .
b,	Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoll?					ti
c.	Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?		. <u> </u> .			4
d.	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-a-B of the Uniform Bullding Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?				\boxtimes	£1
€.	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?					

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	ILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS. Would project:					
a.	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?					2, 20, 24, 87, 88, 89, 90, 111, 112
b.	Require or result in construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?			. 4		2, 20, 24, 25, 87, 88, 89, 111, 112
c.	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				\boxtimes	2, 20, 24, 25, 87, 88, 89, 111, 112
d.	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?				\boxtimes	2, 20, 24, 25, 87, 88, 89, 111, 112
e.	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which services or may serve the project determined that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?				\boxtimes	2, 20, 24, 25, 87, 88, 89, 111, 112
f.	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?				\boxtimes	2, 22, 90, 111, 112
g.	Comply with federal, state, and local statues and regulations related to solid waste?				\boxtimes	2, 22, 90, 111, 112
	ANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC. Would the ject:				,	
a.	Cause an Increase in the traffic which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system (I.e., result in a substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume to capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)?				\boxtimes	2, 12, 71, 75-77, 111, 112
	Exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service standard established by the county congestion management				\boxtimes	2, 12, 71, 75-77, 80, 84, 111, 112

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	agency for designated roads or highways?					
C.	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?				\boxtimes	2, 111, 112, 113
d.	Substantially increase hazards to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g. farm equipment)?				X	2, 12, 71, 75-77, 80, 84, 111, 112
e.	Result in inadequate emergency access?				X	2, 111, 112
f.	Result in Inadequate parking capacity?				X	37, 111
g.	Conflict with adopted policies or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)?				\boxtimes	2, 12, 81, 111, 112
	ZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. uld the project?					
a.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use or disposal of hazardous materials?				\boxtimes	UFC, UBC, SVMC
b.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the likely release of hazardous materials into the environment?				\boxtimes	UFC, UBC, SVMC
c.	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an exiting or proposed school?				\boxtimes	UFC, UBC, SVMC
d.	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?			· 🔲		UFC, UBC, SVMC
e.	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?					UFC, UBC, SVMC

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f.	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				\boxtimes	UFC, UBC, SVMC
ġ,	interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				⊠ -	UFC, UBC, SVMC
h. 	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands					UFC, UBC, SVMC
15. RE	ECREATION			 -		
a.	Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood or regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?		. 🔲 .		\boxtimes	2, 18, 111, 112
· b.	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?					2, 18, 111, 112
wh sig ma Ev pre Co as	GRICULTURE RESOURCES: In determining sether impacts to agricultural resources are unificant environmental effects, lead agencies by refer to the California Agricultural Land raluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) epared by the California Department of enservation as an optional model to use in sessing impacts on agriculture and farmland, ould the project:					
a.	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency to non-agricultural use?					94
b.	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				\boxtimes	94
G.	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of				\boxtimes	94

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Farmland, to non-agricultural use		·			
17. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY. Would the project:					
a. Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?				\boxtimes	2, 24, 25, 111, 112
b. Substantially degrade groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of preexisting nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?				\boxtimes	2, 24, 25, 111, 112
c. Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation onor off-site?					2, 24, 25, 111, 112
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f. Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?				\boxtimes	2, 24, 25, 111, 112
g. Place housing within a 100-year floodplain, as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?				\boxtimes	2, 24, 25, 111, 112
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Applicant: Hoover and Associates

City of Sunnyvale General Plan:

- 2. Map
- 3. Air Quality Sub-Element
- 4. Community Design Sub-Element
- Community Participation Sub-Element
- 6. Cultural Arts Sub-Element
- 7. Executive Summary
- 8. Fire Services Sub-Element
- 9. Fiscal Sub-Element
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- 17. Open Space Sub-Element.
- 18. Recreation Sub-Element
- 19. Safety & Seismic Safety Sub-Element
- 20. Sanitary Sewer System Sub-Element
- 21. Socio-Economic Sub-Element
- 22. Solid Waste Management Sub-Element -
- 23. Support Services Sub-Element
- 24. Surface Run-off Sub-Element
- 25. Water Resources Sub-Element
- 26. City of Sunnyvale Municipal Code:
- 27. Chapter 10
- 28. Zoning Map
- 29. Chapter 19.42. Operating Standards
- 30. Chapter 19.28. Downtown Specific Plan District
- 31. Chapter 19.18. Residential Zoning Districts
- 32. Chapter 19.20. Commercial Zoning Districts
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- 37. Chapter 19.46. Off-Street Parking & Loading
- 38. Chapter 19.56. Solar Access
- 39. Chapter 19.66. Affordable Housing
- 40. Chapter 19.72. Conversion of Mobile Home Parks to Other Uses
- 41. Chapter 19.94. Tree Preservation
- 42. Chapter 19.96. Heritage Preservation

Specific Flans

- 43. El Camino Real Precise Plan
- 44. Lockheed Site Master Use Permit
- 45. Moffett Field Comprehensive Use Plan
- 46. 101 & Lawrence Site Specific Plan
- 47. Southern Pacific Corridor Plan

Environmental Impact Reports

- 48. Futures Study Environmental Impact Report
- 49. Lockheed Site Master Use Permit Environmental Impact Report
- 50. Tasman Corridor LRT Environmental Impact Study (supplemental)
- 51. Kalser Permanente Medical Center Replacement

Center Environmental Impact Report (City of Santa Clara)

- 52. Downtown Development Program Environmental Impact Report
- 53. Caribbean-Moffett Park Environmental Impact
- 54. Southern Pacific Corridor Plan Environmental Impact Report

Maps

- 55. City of Sunnyvale Aerial Maps
- 56. Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FEMA)
- 57. Santa Clara County Assessors Parcel
- 58. Utility Maps (50 scale)

Lists/inventories

- 59. Sunnyvale Cultural Resources Inventory List
- 60. Heritage Landmark Designation List
- 61. Santa Clara County Heritage Resource Inventory
- 62. Hazardous Waste & Substances Sites List (State of California)
- 63. List of Known Contaminants in Sunnyvale

Legislation/Acts/Bills/Codes

- 64, Subdivision Map Act
- 65. Uniform Fire Code, including amendments per SMC adoption
- 66. National Fire Code (National Fire Protection Association)
- 67. Title 19 California Administrative Code
- 68. California Assembly Bill 2185/2187 (Waters Bill)
- 69. California Assembly Bill 3777 (La Follette Bill)
- 70. Superfund Amendments & Reauthorization Act (SARA) Title III

Transportation

- 71. California Department of Transportation Highway Design Manual
- 72. California Department of Transportation Traffic Manual
- 73. California Department of Transportation Standard
 Plan
- 74. California Department of Transportation Standard Specification
- 75. Institute of Transportation Engineers Trip Generation
- 76. Institute of Transportation Engineers
 Transportation and Traffic Engineering
 Handbook
- 77. U.S. Dept. of Transportation Federal Highway Admin. Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Street and Highways
- 78. California Vehicle Code
- Traffic Engineering Theory & Practice by L. J. Pegnataro
- 80. Santa Clara County Congestion Management Program and Technical Guidelines
- 81. Santa Clara County Transportation Agency Short Range Transit Plan

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82. Santa Clara County Transportation Plan

83. Traffic Volume Studies, City of Sunnyvale Public works Department of Traffic Engineering Division

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Plan

85. Bicycle Plan

Public Works

86. Standard Specifications and Details of the

Department of Public Works 87. Storm Drain Master Plan

88. Sanitary Sewer Master Plan

89. Water Master Plan

90. Solid Waste Management Plan of Santa Clara County

91. Geotechnical Investigation Reports

92. Engineering Division Project Files

93. Subdivision and Parcel Map Files

Miscellaneous

94. Field Inspection

95. Environmental Information Form

96. Annual Summary of Containment Excesses (BAAQMD)

97. Current Air Quality Data

98. Chemical Emergency Preparedness Program (EPÄ) Interim Document in 1985?)

99. Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG)

Population Projections

100. Bay Area Clean Air Plan

101. City-wide Design Guidelines

102. Industrial Design Guidelines

Building Safety

 Uniform Building Code, Volume 1, (Including the California Building Code, Volume 1)

104. Uniform Building Code, Volume 2, (Including the California Building Code, Volume 2)

105. Uniform Plumbing Code, (Including the California Plumbing Code)

 Uniform Mechanical Code, (Including the California Mechanical Code)

 National Electrical Code (Including California Electrical Code)

108, Title 16 of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code

Additional References

109. USFWS/CA Dept. F&G Special Status Lists

110. Project Traffic Impact Analysis

111. Project Description

112. Project Development Plans

113. Santa Clara County Airport Land Use Plan

114. Federal Aviation Administration

115. Accousticla Analysis by Illingsworth & Rodkin, 2006 July 25, 2006

REVIEW CRITERIA FOR PROJECTS GREATER THAN 35% FAR 975 and 995 BENECIA AVENUE SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA

Category I Community Character

- A. The building sites are ideally located proximate to the Hwy 237 off-ramp to minimize cross-city traffic impacts at intersections and roadway segments.
- B. The proposed buildings have a high quality of design and excellent architecture. They are the type of buildings/development the City is hoping to attract to the area.
- C. The proposed buildings include greater security and fire safety through an upgraded non-combustible construction type, fire sprinklers/fire alarm systems and exterior lighting.
- D. The adjacent buildings in the area have the same zoning and land use. Potential adverse impacts to such adjacent sites have been minimized.

Category II Environmental Traffic and Air Quality

- E. The building sites are ideally located proximate to the Hwy 237 off-ramp thus minimizing cross-city traffic impacts at intersections and roadway segments. The two proposed buildings replace two existing buildings. The number of parking spaces for the new buildings, despite the increase in FAR, is the less than that for existing buildings.
- F. A Transportation Demand Management Plan (previously submitted) has been prepared for the project to assist in mitigating such impacts.
- G. There is no tenant currently identified for the buildings, however, prospective tenants may provide appropriate on-site amenities that minimize midday vehicle trips (e.g. break-room/lunchroom, cafeteria, fitness area, etc.). The building provides showers.
- H. The project is not a mixed-use project.
- I. Bus stops are located along West Maude Avenue in both directions. Stops are located at Macara Avenue, only one block from the proposed project.
- J. Capital facilities and city services are already being provided to existing buildings on these sites. The additional requirement of such expenditures and services to justify the increased FAR is very small.
- K. A Transportation Demand Management Plan (TDM) has been prepared by Fehr and Peers. Selected elements of the program will be adopted by the applicant.

Category III Site Design and Architecture

L. The buildings are designed with high quality materials, precast concrete and glass. The design of the second floor balcony/terraces at the building corners provides

an interesting variation of building heights. The building heights are also varied by the heightened roof parapets above the entrances. Configuration of the site and design of the buildings make this project highly desirable to prime businesses.

- M. The appearance of the proposed buildings/development complements the City image and community character.
- N. Bulk and mass of the proposed buildings have been reduced by:
 - a. Providing greater front setbacks than the existing buildings. (Building Aproposed 89' vs existing 26' & Building B-proposed 85' vs. existing 33').
 - b. Reducing the building coverage by 35,311 sf (Building A-proposed 32,800 sf vs. existing 55,815 sf & Building B-proposed 23,800 sf vs. 36,096 sf.
 - c. Increasing the landscaping by 23,846 sf (Building A-proposed 41,005 sf vs. existing 21,637 sf & Building B-proposed 23,846 sf vs. existing 13,820 sf).
 - d. Providing second floor balcony/terraces at the building corners.
- O. Non-point source pollution for the project is controlled through the use of CDS stormwater treatment units.
- P. The number of parking spaces provided for the proposed buildings is based on the number of spaces required to attract prime businesses to the buildings. The proposed buildings provide fewer parking spaces than the existing buildings (Building A-proposed 213 vs. existing 222 & Building B-proposed 143 vs. existing 151. The proposed buildings increase the landscaping by 23,846 sf (Building A-proposed 41,005 sf vs. existing 21,637 sf & Building B-proposed 23,846 sf vs. existing 13,820 sf).
- Q. The proposed buildings are completely designed for their sites with no phasing or future consolidation anticipated.
- R. The FAR is calculated for this project is obtained by dividing the gross building area by the gross site area.

Category IV Economic, Fiscal and Community Benefit.

The proposed buildings are designed to become desired locations for prime businesses. It is not known at this writing whether such businesses will be corporate headquarters, "point of sale offices" for Sunnyvale, etc.

July 21, 2006

FEATURES FOR SUSTAINABILITY

Office Complex

975 and 995 Benecia Avenue, Sunnyvale, California

Alternative Transportation

Showers/Lockers provided for bicyclists. Bus stops at West Maude Avenue and Macara are located within a block of the project.

Reduced Site Disturbance

The building coverage has been reduced by 35,311 sf (Building A-proposed 32,800 sf vs. existing 55,815 sf & Building B-proposed 23,800 sf vs. 36,096 sf.).

The landscaping has been increased by 29,394 sf (Building A-proposed 41,005 sf vs. existing 21,637 sf & Building B-proposed 23,846 sf vs. existing 13,820 sf).

Stormwater Management

CDS stormwater treatment units are provided to treat parking lot and roof drainage.

Heat Island Effect (non-roof)

Tree shading (50% min.) is provided for parking lot. Light colors are provided for building materials.

Heat Island Effect (roof)

'Energy Star' high reflectance cap-sheet roof system is provided for roof.

Light Pollution Reduction

Lighting will not exceed Illuminating Engineering Society of North America requirements (1 foot candle/sf). Directional reflectors will be provided at perimeter light standards away from public roads.

Water Efficiency

Water closets will have 1.6 gallon flush valves and urinals will have 1 gallon flush valves. Sloan valves will be used on all fixtures. Showerheads will be water efficient and provide less than 2.5 gallons per minute.

Energy and Atmosphere

Buildings will meet or exceed Title24 Energy requirements. High performance glass (Viricon VS6-14) is being used. Terrace/Balconies provide shading to glass and reduce heat-gain. Landscaping is strategically planted adjacent to sun exposed glass areas. HVAC system will have an economizer cycle capability using outside cool air. The building will utilize digital main HVAC controls for its energy management system.

Non-ozone depleting R-22 (versus R-12) refrigerant for HVAC will be used. Fluorescent interior lighting vs incandescent lighting will be used.

Storage and Collection of Recyclables

Trash enclosures include recyclables.

Construction Waste Management

Greater than 75% of demolished materials will be diverted from landfill.

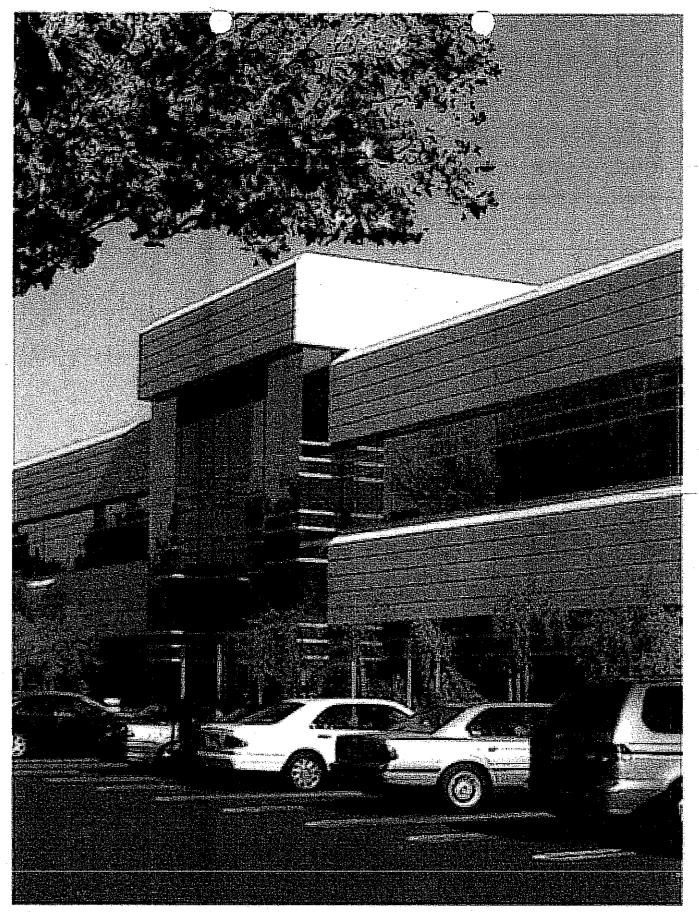
Local/Regional Materials

Local/regional materials such as pre-cast walls an glass are specified to use local suppliers to reduce transportation pollution. Fly ash will be used in concrete foundations and slabs.

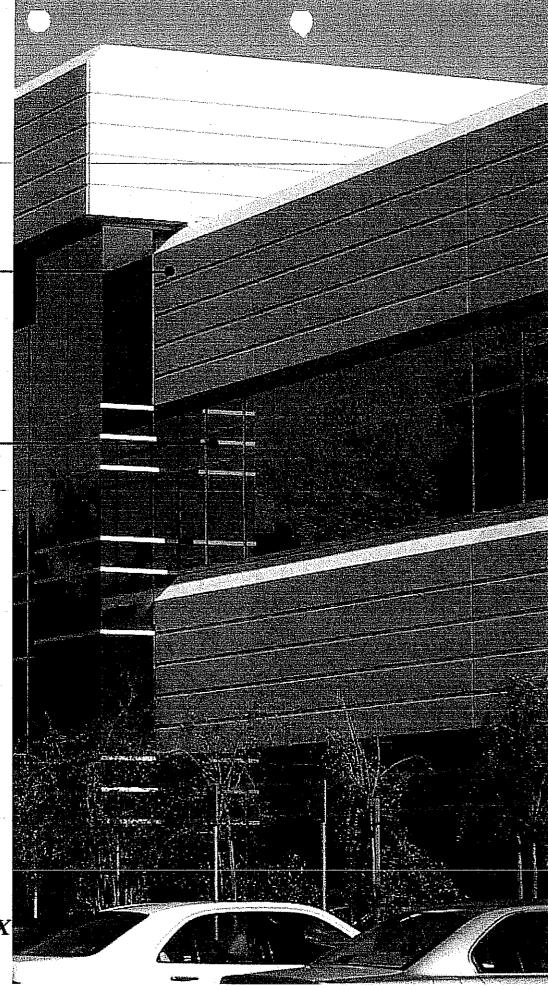
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975 Benecia Ave, Sunnyvale



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PRECAST PANEL TYP. (Moonlight White)

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BENECIA OFFICE COMPLEX

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975, 995 BENECIA AVE SUNNYVALE, CA

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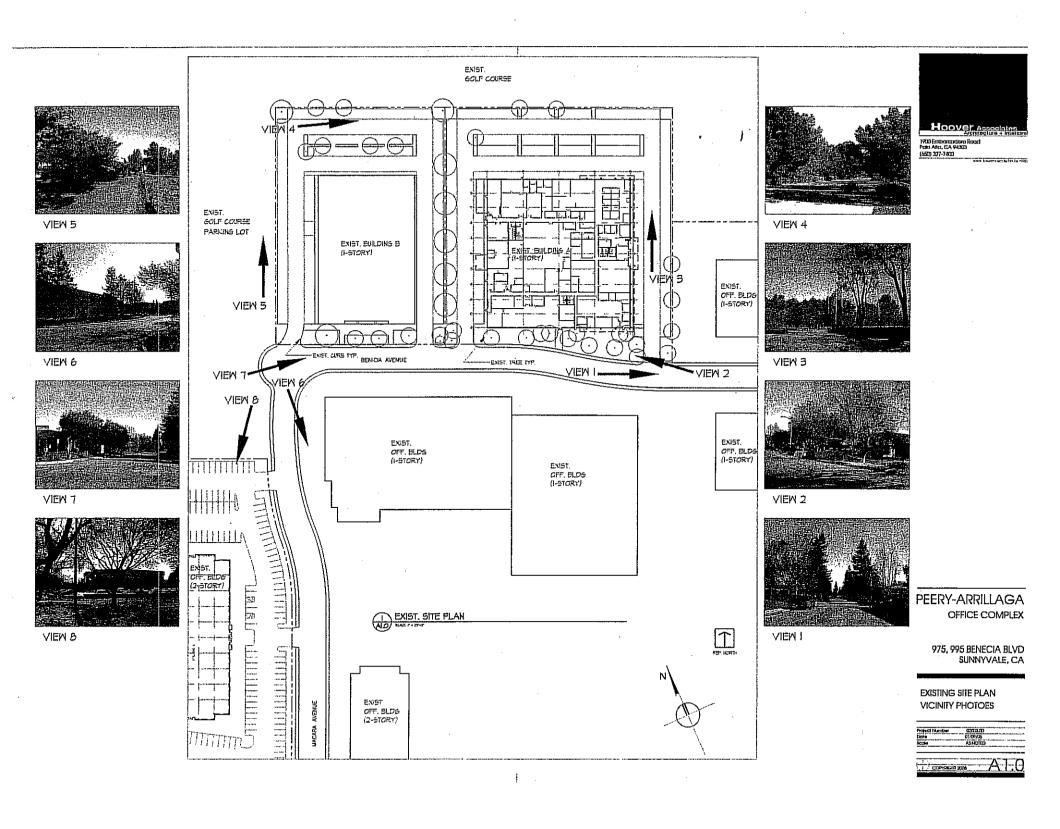
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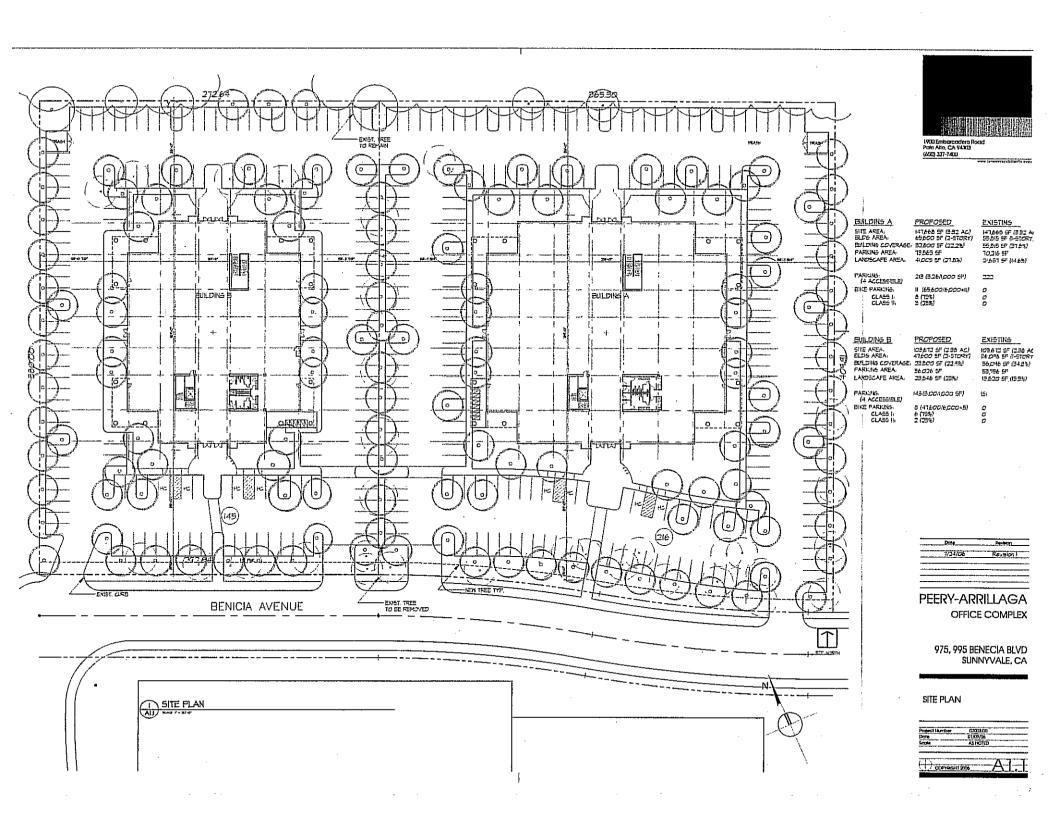
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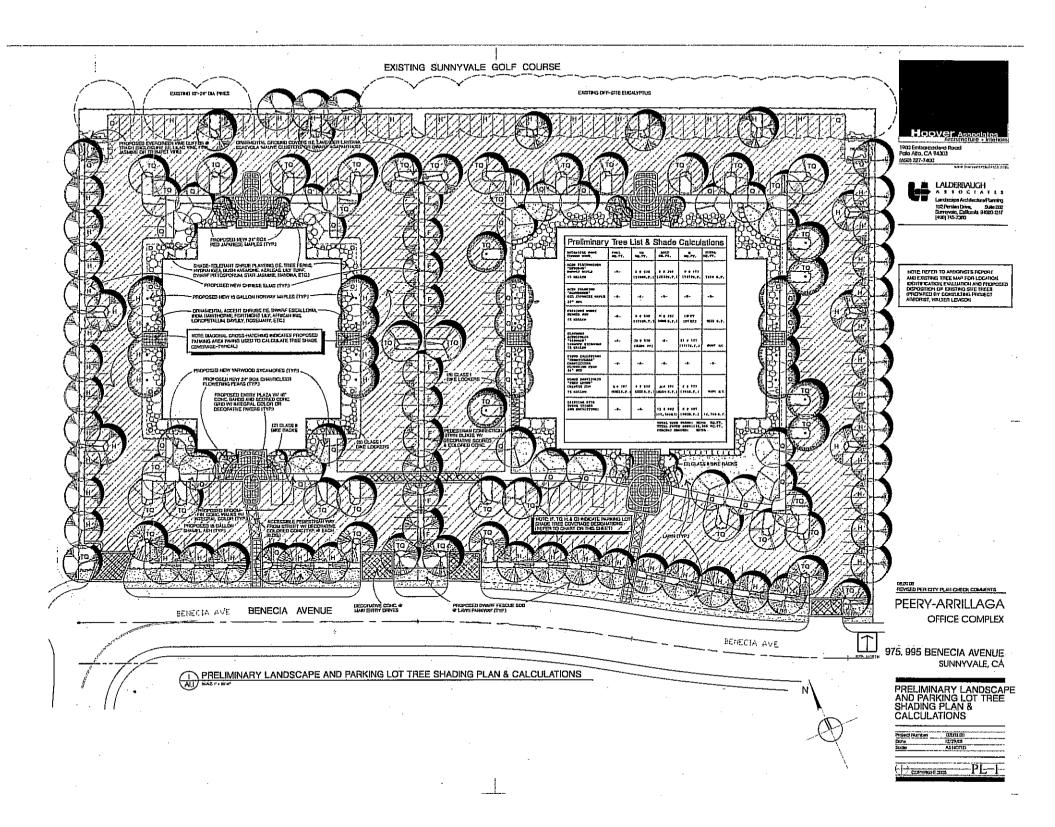
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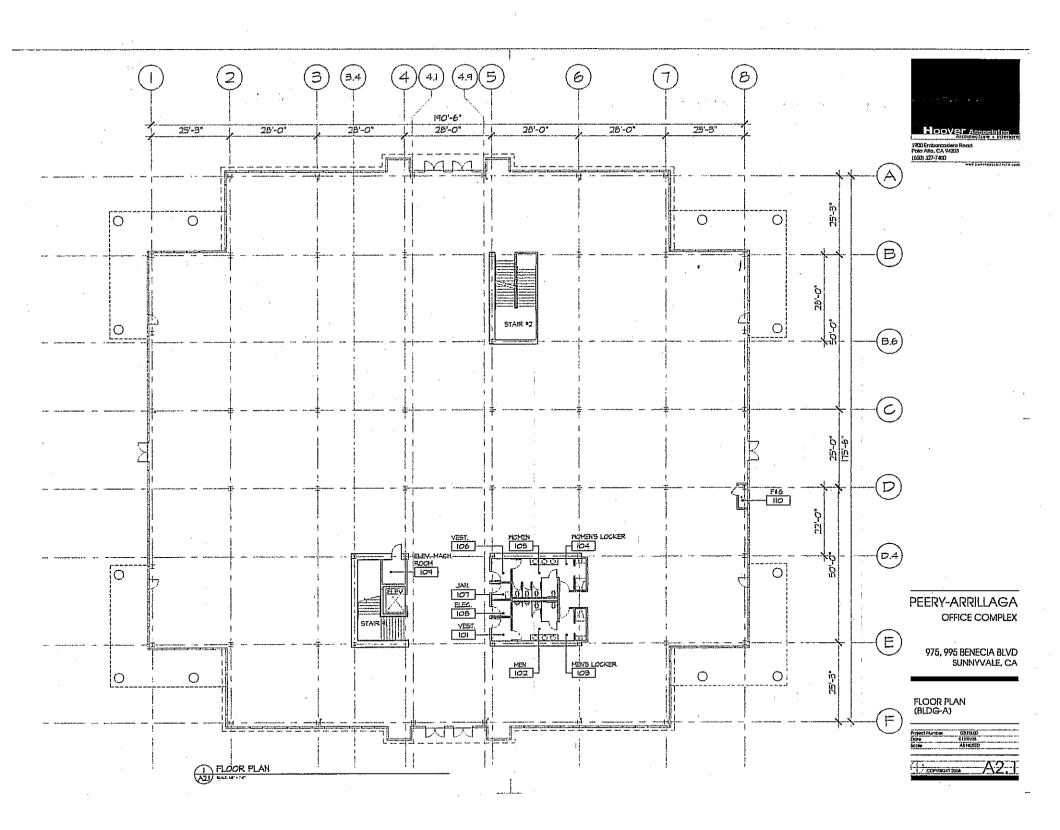


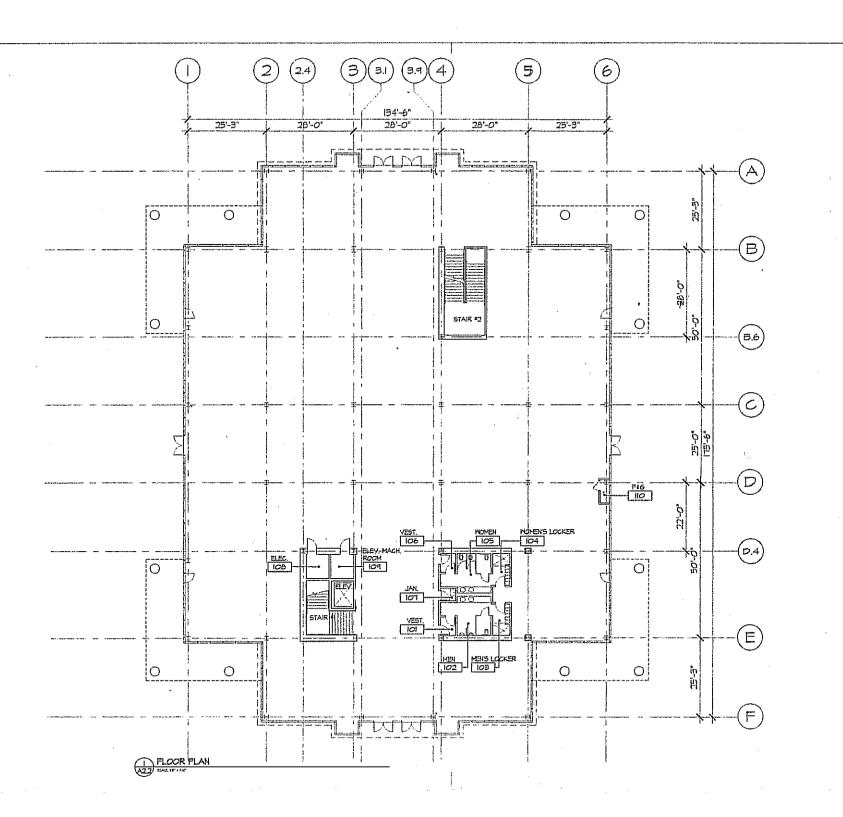














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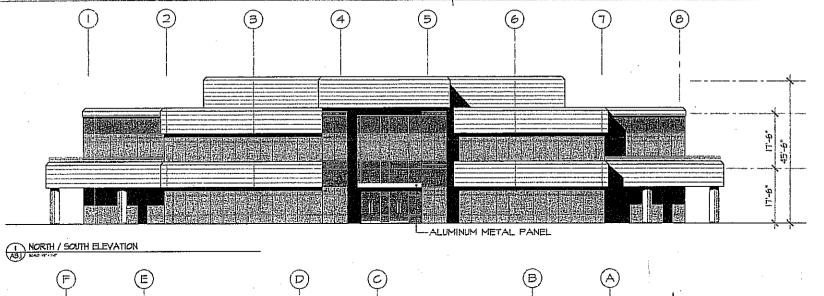
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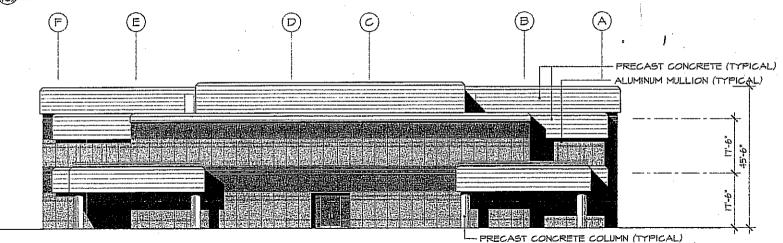
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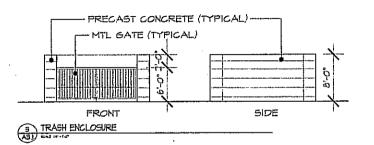
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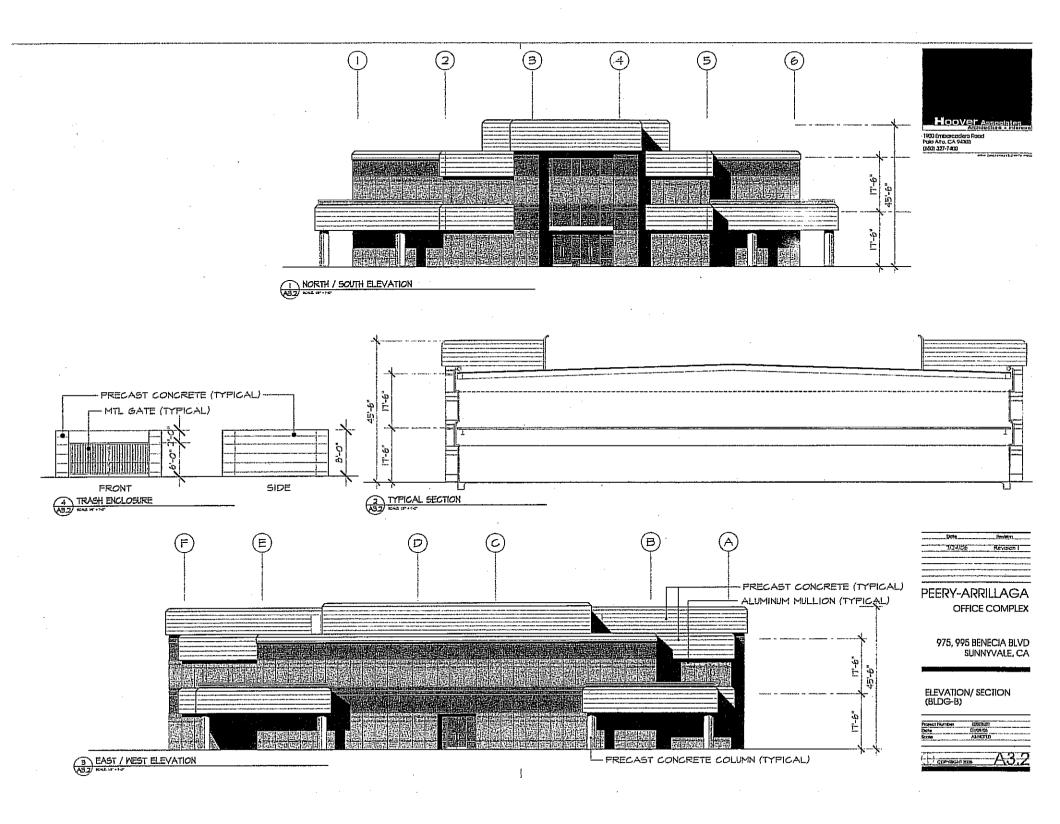
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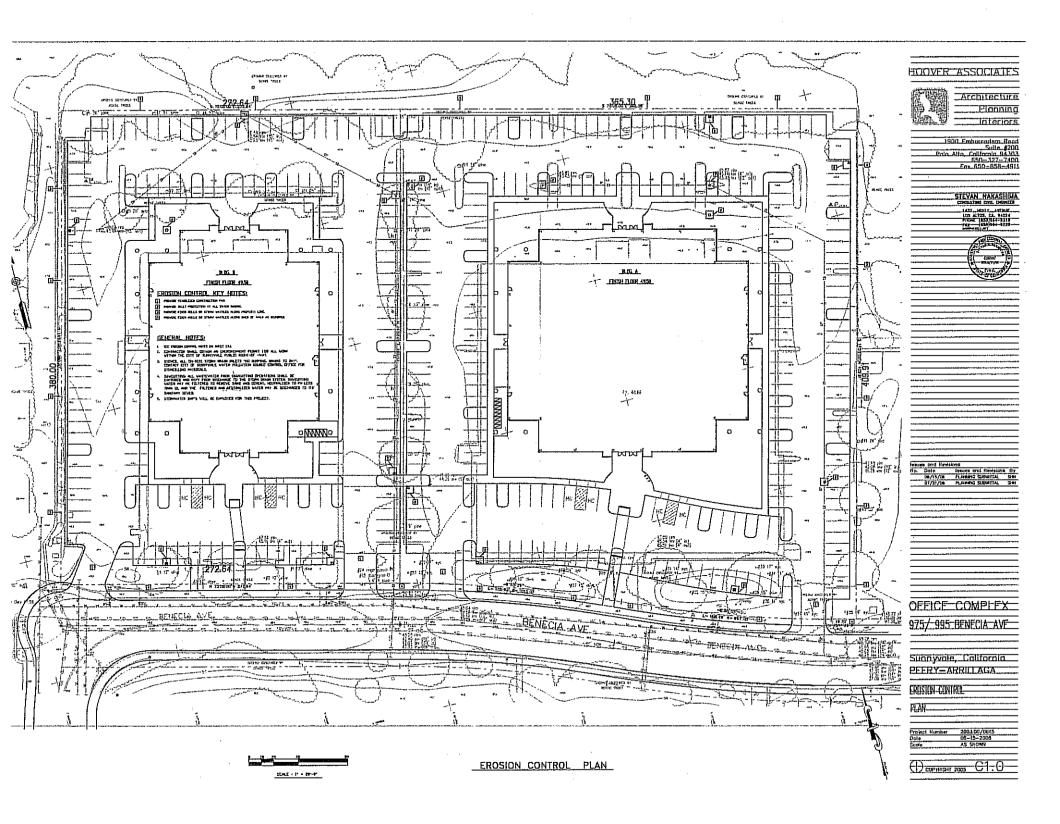
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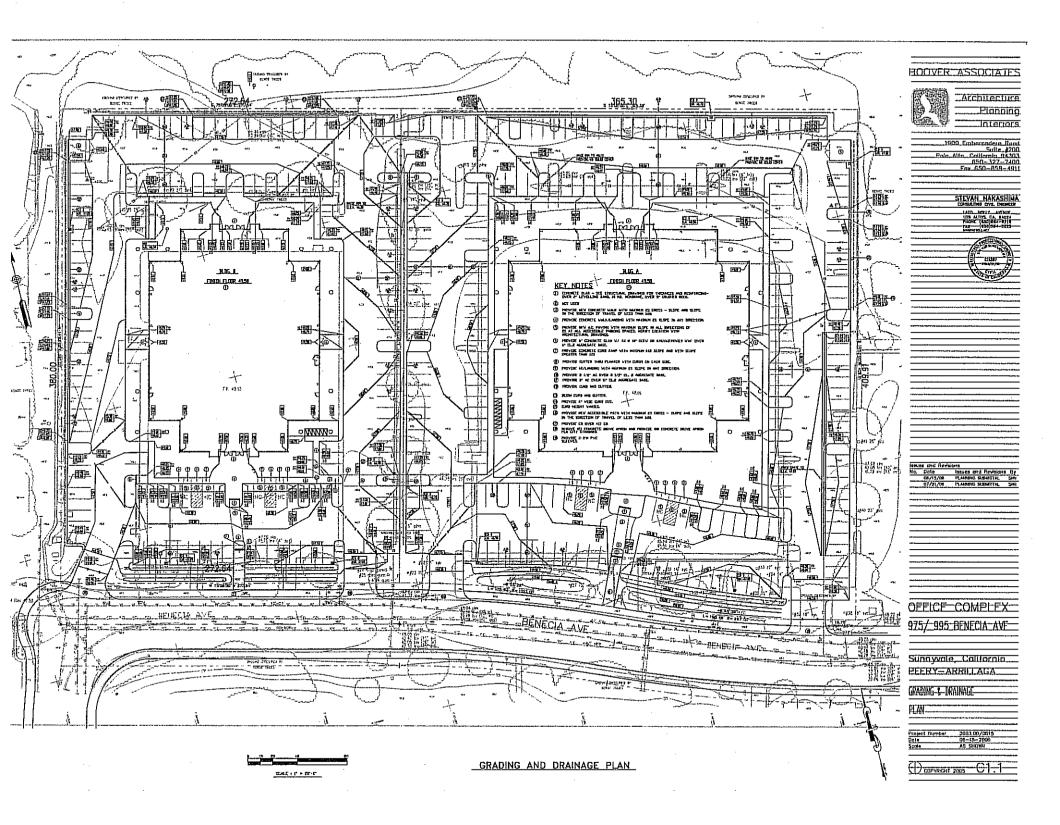


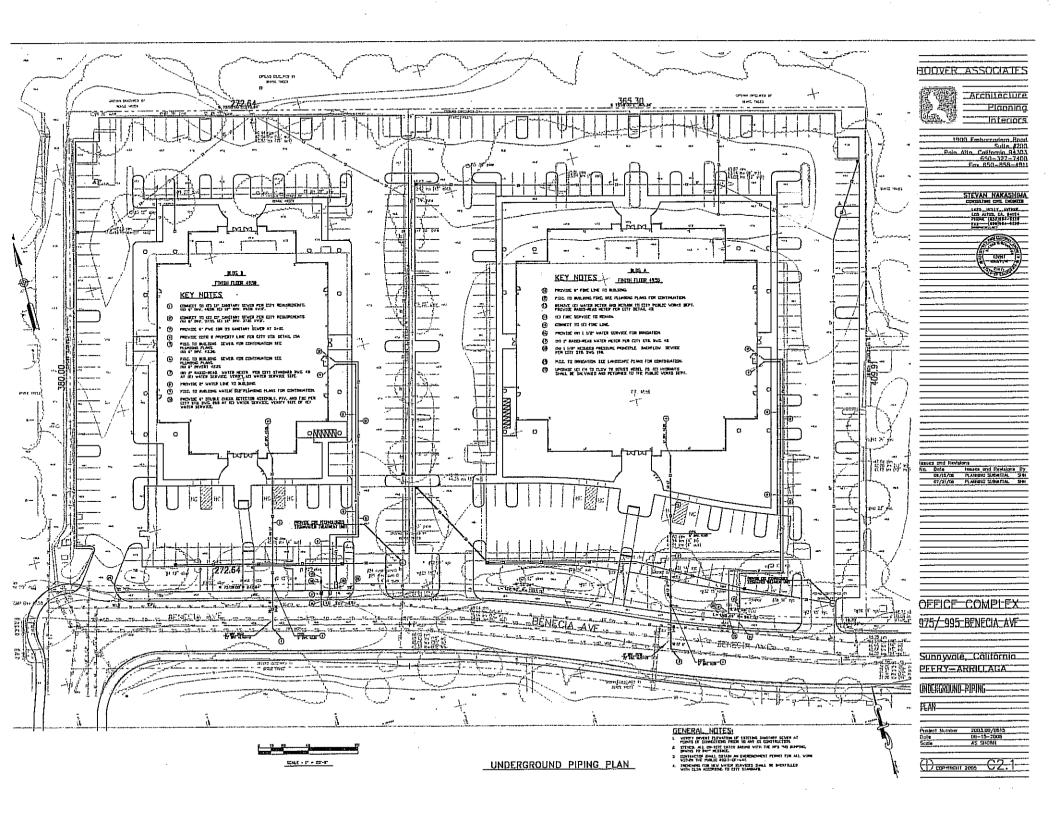
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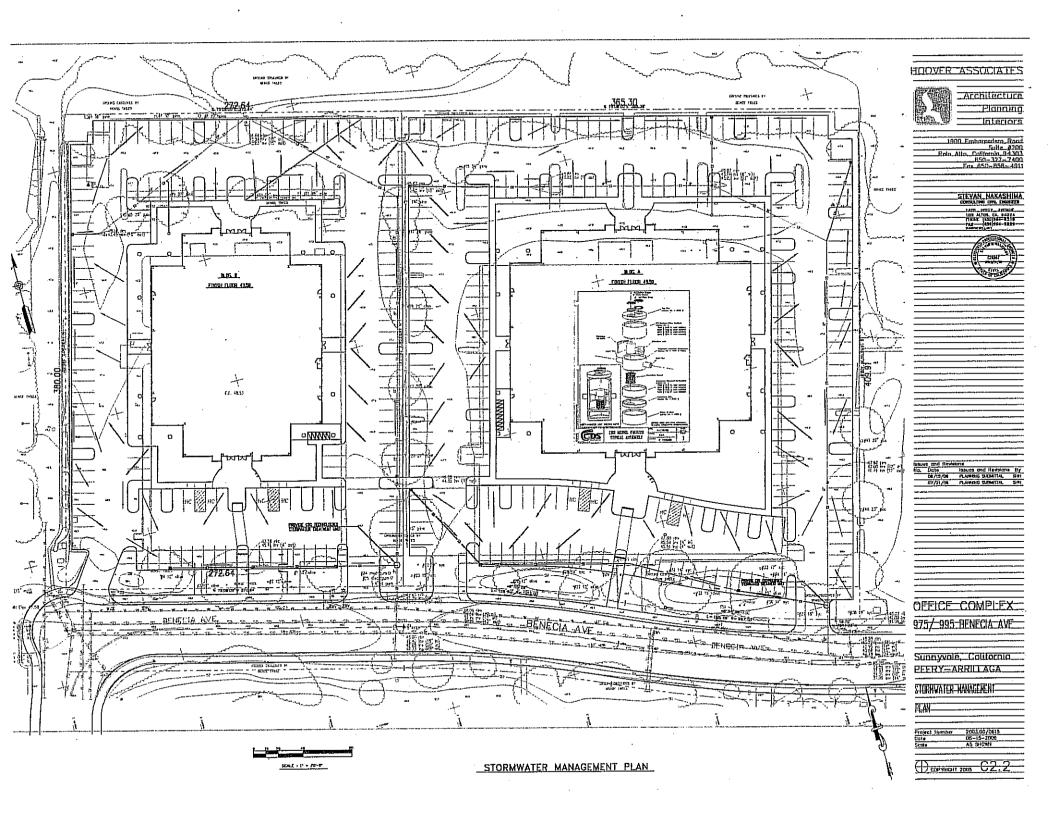
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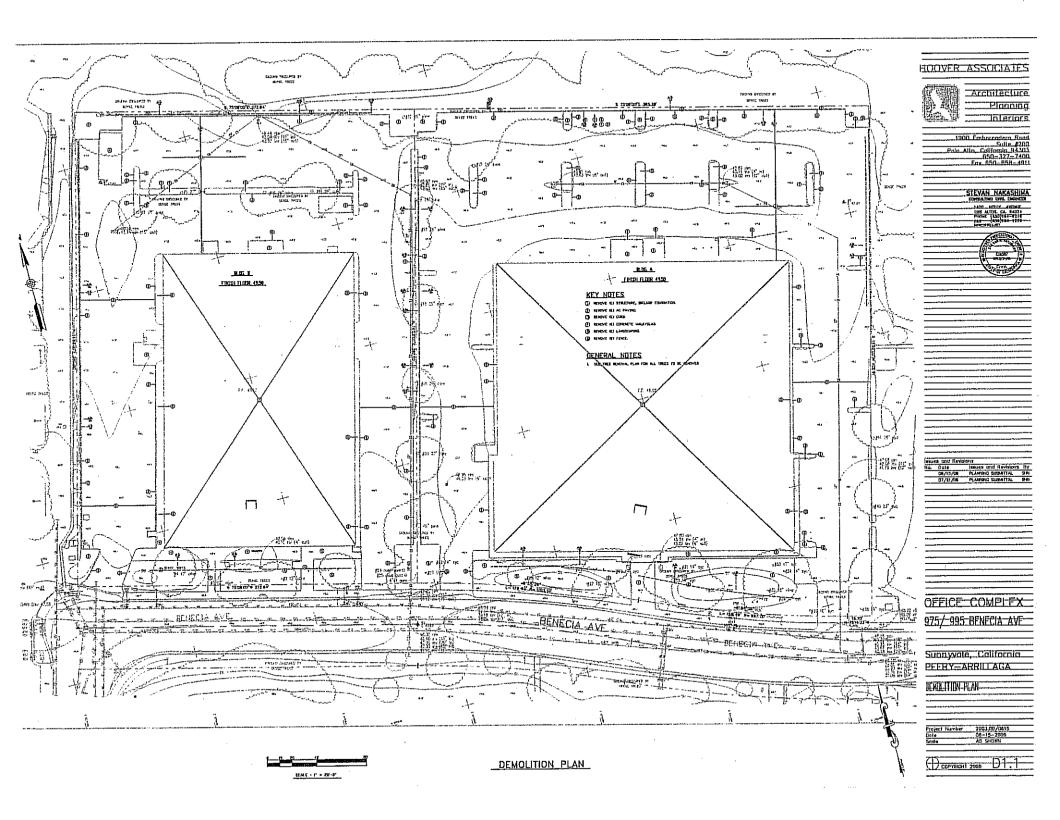














MEMORANDUM

Date:

June 19, 2006

To:

Mr. Lee Ashby, Hoover Associates

From:

Fred Choa, P.E. Fehr & Peers Associates

Subject:

Elements for 975 & 995 Benicia Avenue Office Project

Travel Demand Management Plan

RS06-2315

This memorandum responds to the City of Sunnyvale's request for a Travel Demand Management (TDM) Plan for the proposed 975 & 995 Benicia Avenue Office Project in Sunnyvale, California. The Proposed Project is comprised of demolishing 92,700 square feet of existing building area and construction of 113,200 square feet of new building area. This memorandum includes the following elements:

- Description of general categories of TDM measures
- Effectiveness of TDM measures
- List of potential TDM measures that could be applied
- Recommended TDM measures for the Benicia Avenue Office Project

Materials that we used to prepare this TDM Plan include documentation regarding the effectiveness of TDM measures as estimated by national research and excerpts from the TDM manual for the City of Sunnyvale. The City's TDM manual is known as the *Transportation Demand Management Tool Kit: A Guidance Document to Assist Developers in the City of Sunnyvale [to] prepare, implement, and monitor the success of TDM Plans and Programs.*

Description of General Categories of TDM Programs and Measures

Most TDM measures fall into five general categories or programs. These categories include:

- Carpool/Vanpool Program
- Transit Subsidy Program
- Parking Program
- Promotional Program
- Alternative Work Schedule/Location Programs

Each category is discussed in further detail below. Please note that a successful TDM program combines measures from several programs.

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Carpool/Vanpool Programs

The following text is a description of a carpool from the Sunnyvale TDM manual.

A carpool is two to six people sharing a ride in an automobile. The most common carpool approach is rotating automobile use among carpoolers with no exchange of money. Another method is a carpool group using one car and sharing commuter expenses. Either way, the diver of the carpool has the vehicle available for personal or company use during the workday. Carpooling reduces the cost of commuting and provides a stress-free ride to and from work for non-drivers.

The main impediment to carpooling program is convincing employees to carpool and arranging carpools. Incentives to carpool can be provided through allocating preferential parking or by discounting the cost of parking for carpoolers. These measures are discussed further in subsequent sections. Arranging carpools, which entail matching riders with similar home locations, can either be done by an employer formally or through regional agencies such as Rides for Bay Area Commuters. This non-profit agency maintains lists of persons interested in a carpool.

Vanpooling is similar to carpooling but generally involve a larger number of persons. A description of a vanpool is provided below:

Vanpools operate like a mini-transit service, with an organized route, schedule and passenger fare charges. Vanpools typically are comprised of 7 to 15 people. Fares depend on the commute distance, the total number of riders, the type of van, company-provided equipment, and incentives and subsidies. Vanpools can be set up by individual employees or by the employer (*Sunnyvale TDM Manual*).

Depending on the actual arrangement, the employer may choose to partially or fully subsidize the vanpool. Rides for Bay Area Commuters will also provide assistance in establishing and operating a vanpool.

Transit Programs

One of the most common TDM programs is a transit program, by which employers facilitate the use of transit by their employees. This facilitation can include subsidizing transit passes, providing transit passes on-site, and providing connecting service (via shuttles) to the nearest transit stop or station.

Two available transit pass programs include Commuter Checks (tax-free vouchers employees can use to purchase transit passes) and Eco Pass. Based on recent changes to Federal Laws, employers can now provide up to \$100 a month per employee for use in purchasing transit passes. The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) operates the Eco Pass program for use on both transit and light rail systems. The one limitation on the Eco Pass program is that CalTrain does not participate in this program.

Parking Programs

Parking programs seek to encourage the use of alternative modes by providing preferential parking for carpoolers and vanpoolers or by charging employees to use available parking spaces.

Through a preferential parking system, carpoolers or vanpoolers are provided with closest spaces to the facility to shorten their walk. This measure is generally most effective in developments with large surface

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parking areas. Carpoolers are provided with spaces directly adjacent to the various office buildings. Drivers of non-carpool vehicles are required to park farther from the office building main entrance.

Another parking related measure is for an employer to explicitly charge employees to park on-site. By charging the employee to park on a monthly or daily basis, the driver may be dissuaded from driving and could shift to an alternate mode. Historically, charging for parking can have a significant effect on the level of alternative mode usage. Please note that unintended consequences, such parking to other areas (such as adjacent properties) could result from any program that assessed a parking charge in an area that has historically provided free parking.

Promotional Programs

Promotional programs refer to employer-sponsored initiatives, which educate employees about the availability of alternative modes and the benefits of these modes. The Santa Clara VTA includes a Guaranteed Ride Home in the Eco Pass program. Promotional programs might include:

- Transportation Fairs
- TDM Coordinator
- · Flyers, Posters, and Newsletter Articles
- Commuter Information Center
- Guide to Transit Services
- Transit Field Trip
- Guaranteed Ride Home

One of the most useful measures is the Guaranteed Ride Home, which is described in detail below.

Many commuters will not rideshare [or use transit] because they may have to work unexpected overtime or fear not being able to get home in an emergency. By offering a guaranteed ride home to ridesharing employees, you can eliminate that barrier. Any employer can set up a guaranteed ride home component whether it is a formal program utilizing transportation service providers (taxi or rental car) or an informal policy using company vehicles and / or designated employees providing rides home in an emergency situation (Sunnyvale TDM Manual).

Alternative Work Schedule/Location Programs

Alternative work schedule programs include the following measures:

- Flextime- Workers report within varying windows rather than set times
- Staggered Work Hours- Employees arrive in shifts rather than all arriving at once
- Compressed Work Week- Employees have the option of working four-day weeks or longer house.
 For example, the City of Palo Alto allows its employees to work 9 days over a two-week period with an alternating day off during the week.
- Telecommuting- Employees may choose to work at home several days a week
- Satellite Work Locations- Employees may work at a satellite office with phone/ computer access.

Please note that flexible work hours and locations are not suited for all profession and employment locations.

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Effectiveness of TDM Measures

The Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) published a review of information regarding the effectiveness of TDM measures in the *Trip Generation Handbook: An ITE Recommended Practice*. This review concluded the following:

- <u>Support measures</u>, such as transportation coordinators, flexible work hours, and other
 promotional activities had no measurable impact on the number of vehicles used by commuters.
 But it has been shown to reduce a.m. and p.m. peak hour vehicle trip generation by providing
 opportunities to arrive earlier than a.m. peak and depart later than p.m. peak hours (5 to 15
 percent reduction)
- <u>Transportation services</u>, such as vanpools, guaranteed ride-home programs, and shuttle buses had a noticeable impact on number of vehicles used by commuters (8 percent reduction)
- <u>Economic incentives</u> including transit subsidies and transportation allowances also had a significant impact on the number of vehicles used by commuters (16 percent reduction)

This study also concluded that combining transportation services and economic incentives generated the most significant reduction in the number of commuter vehicles (24 percent). Based on this information, it would be beneficial to include a variety of measures including both transportation services and economic incentives.

List of Potential TDM Measures

Based on the above information, the following items could be incorporated into a TDM program for the proposed Benicia Avenue Office Project.

- Establish employee carpools and vanpools
- Provide transit subsidies through commuter checks
- Enroll your facility in the Eco Pass program
- Provide transit shuttle services
- Provide preferential parking for carpools and vanpools
- Charge employees to parking on-site
- Charge visitors to park on-site
- Identify a TDM coordinator
- Establish a Guaranteed Ride Home Program
- Flexible work hours

Recommended Measures for the 975 and 995 Benicia Avenue Office Project

Our recommendations for TDM measures at your Sunnyvale Office Project are based on the following project characteristics and design elements:

- Employees will arrive and depart during traditional commute hours;
- Employees will likely use transit if convenient and available;
- Shower facilities are being provided at each building;
- 14 bicycled lockers and 5 bicycle racks are being provided.

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Based on these Fehr & Peers recommends the following measures for use in a TDM plan, which would reduce the reliance on the single occupant vehicle and improve traffic operations in the area.

<u>Identify a TDM Coordinator</u>: Most TDM programs include the designation of a TDM coordinator. This coordinator can have a variety of roles including providing information on available transit options, arranging carpools, dispensing transit passes or Commuter Checks, and overseeing the operation of the Guaranteed Ride Home Program.

<u>Institute Promotional Programs:</u> Implement educational and promotional programs involving all employees with these efforts supervised by the TDM coordinator.

Promotional programs refer to employer-sponsored initiatives, which educate employees about the availability of alternative modes and the benefits of these modes. Promotional programs might include:

- Guaranteed Ride Home
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<u>Operate a Guaranteed Ride Home Program:</u> Concerns about occasional disruptions such as unexpected overtime requests, Illness of a child or relative, and other emergency situations can often dissuade an employee from choosing an alternative transportation mode. This Guaranteed Ride Home could be provided through several methods including rental car reimbursement, prepaid taxi vouchers, and providing the use of the shuttle bus in an emergency situation.

<u>Carpool / Vanpool Programs:</u> Coordinate carpools and vanpools among employees and provide preferential parking for carpool and vanpool participants. A carpool is two to six people sharing a ride in an automobile. The most common carpool approach is rotating automobile use among carpoolers with no exchange of money. Another method is a carpool group using one car and sharing commuter expenses. Either way, the driver of the carpool has the vehicle available for personal or company use during the workday. Carpooling reduces the cost of commuting and provides a stress-free ride to and from work for non-drivers.

Vanpools operate like a mini-transit service, with an organized route, schedule and passenger fare charges. Vanpools typically are comprised of 7 to 15 people. Fares depend on the commute distance, the total number of riders, the type of van, company-provided equipment, and incentives and subsidies. Vanpools can be set up by individual employees or by the employer

<u>Parking Programs</u> Parking programs seek to encourage the use of alternative modes by providing preferential parking for carpoolers and vanpoolers or by charging employees to use available parking spaces. Through a preferential parking system, carpoolers or vanpoolers are provided with closest spaces to the facility to shorten their walk. Drivers of non-carpool vehicles are forced to park farther from the office building main entrance.

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Encourage Alternative / Flexible Work Schedules: Based on research conducted by the Institute of Transportation Engineers, implementation of alternative or flexible work hours by tenants would result in a reduction of vehicle trips during the traditional morning and evening commute periods. Alternative work schedule programs include the following measures:

- Flextime- Workers report within varying windows rather than set times
- Staggered Work Hours- Employees arrive in shifts rather than all arriving at once
- Compressed Work Week- Employees have the option of working four-day weeks or longer house.
 For example, the City of Palo Alto allows its employees to work 9 days over a two-week period with an alternating day off during the week.
- Telecommuting- Employees may choose to work at home one or more days a week
- Satellite Work-Locations- Employees may work at a satellite office closer to their residence with phone and computer access,